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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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application. A copy of the French search report is appended hereto and indicates that

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The French search report identifies the corresponding German patent DE

19514710 A rather than its U.S. counterpart, U.S. 6,050,818.

STATEMENT OF CUMULATIVE INFORMATION

U.S. 6,050,818 corresponds to DE 19514710 A.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to the mailing date of

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